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Welcome to the June 2011 edition of the Radio HF Internet Newsletter. Happy Father's Day to all the dads out there!

Summer has arrived in full force here in Montreal. Steamy hot temperatures are here and if it's June, it's time for the Montreal International Jazz Festival, one of the greatest events of its kind anywhere in the world. Check out the webpage included below on this year's event.

Well, I guess it had to happen. There is some disappointing, but not totally surprising, news in this month's Newsletter. For the first time ever in 13+ years we do not have a single contributor. Every webpage link in this edition comes from me! Trust me I don't want to see this happening again. Of the thousands of people who subscribe to

this free Newsletter, including many of you who I see each year at the various hamfests who continue to tell me how much you appreciate this publication, I think that at least a few of you each month might have a few interesting websites to share with usno?

Just to update you all on our annual Baillie Birdathon, my wife Darlene and I completed the Birdathon on May 20th. It was a great day out in the field. We completed the day with a total of 88 species. That 100 species day eluded us again, but we had a great time and raised a lot of money for Bird Studies Canada. I haven't totaled it up yet, but I do want to thank the following 20 Radio HF Internet Newsletter subscribers who helped out with a pledge this year. Claude Beaupré, Clement Beauregard, Craig Brander, Cynthia Canavan, Dr. Harold Cones, Jean-Maurice Deveault, William Ellis, John Fisher, Andrew Foot, Daniel Gillet, Howard Gontovnick, John Grow, Jim Hydzik, Brian Jeffrey, Janice Laws, Kenneth Miller, Robert Paknys, Brian Penney, Robert Thomassin, and Dr. Ronald Webb. Your support is so greatly appreciated by usand the birds!

Our Monthly Special Zone for June features information on D-Day, Flag Day, World Blood Donor Day, World Refugee Day and, of course, Father's Day.

This month's virtual voyage around the world, in the "Where in the World Zone", takes us to the Middle East to a country that is featured prominently in the news today. Syria, officially the Syrian Arab Republic, is a country in Western Asia, bordering Lebanon and the Mediterranean Sea to the West, Turkey to the north, Iraq to the east, Jordan to the south, and Israel to the southwest. As in many countries in the region, civil unrest is on the rise and the government is fighting back.

Now on to this month's Newsletter.

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Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

THE MONTHLY SPECIAL ZONE

THE NATIONAL D-DAY MEMORIAL

http://www.dday.org/ <http://www.dday.org/>

THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

http://usflag.org/ <http://usflag.org/>

This site is dedicated to the U.S. flag and included here in honour of Flag Day on June 14th.

UNITED NATIONS WORLD BLOOD DONOR DAY

http://www.wbdd.org/ <http://www.wbdd.org/>

On June 14th the United Nations marks World Blood Donor Day.

UNITED NATIONS WORLD REFUGEE DAY

http://www.un.org/en/events/refugeeday/
<http://www.un.org/en/events/refugeeday/>

Since 2001, June 20th has been designated as World Refugee Day.

FATHER'S DAY 2011

http://loveyoufather.com/ <http://loveyoufather.com/>

On June 19th we celebrate fathers worldwide.

THE JUNE ZONE

Each month we feature the monthly page from Wikipedia, the free, on-line encyclopedia. The page features an overview of the month, plus background and general information on the month itself. The actual monthly calendar, clickable day by day, gives a list of special events in history, famous birthdays, anniversaries, etc. for each day. Here is the link for the month of June.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/June <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/June>

Also, here are some special days and events in June.

MONTHLY CELEBRATIONS

Fireworks Safety Month

Great Outdoors Month

Home Safety Month

International Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

Men's Health Month

National Safety Month

WEEKLY CELEBRATIONS

19 25 Lightning Safety Awareness Week

SPECIAL DAYS

5 United Nations: World Environment Day

6 D-Day June 6, 1944

8 United Nations: World Ocean Day

12 United Nations: World Day against Child Labor

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ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

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18 International Sushi Day

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24 Take Your Dog to Work Day

Source: Chase's Calendar of Events 2011

2011 National Health Observances, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

2011 Calendar of Events, California Department of Education

2011 United Nations Observances

2011 Bizarre, Crazy, Silly Unknown Holidays and Observances

VIA

http://espanol.ucanr.org/Calendario/June_2011.htm <http://espanol.ucanr.org/Calendario/June_2011.htm>

RADIO H.F. PUBLICITY ZONE #1

NEW FROM ALINCO

Alinco DX-SR8T All-mode Transceiver/Receiver

Alinco is pleased to offer this new base model transceiver. Here are some of the features.

1.9~29MHz SSB/CW/AM/FM All-mode Desktop Transceiver.

Coverage of All short-wave and HF amateur bands

Covers the 160m to 10m amateur bands including 5.3MHz (T-model only) in SSB, CW, AM and FM modes. Output power is 100W SSB/CW and FM, 40W in AM with low and super-low power settings for QRP operation. In addition, the general coverage receiver covers 135KHz to 30MHz in all modes.

Completely detachable front control panel with large LCD display lets you install the radio with greater flexibility whether in your car, boat or your shack. (Optional EDS-17 cable required)

Direct DATA entry via the key pads

Reject unwanted signals with the IF shift. Choose a narrow filter, a noise-blanker or use RIT/TXIT to stay out of QRM.

Emphasis on CW Operation

An electronic keyer unit is standard. You can receive CW using either upper or lower side of the carrier frequency. Choice of side tone pitch, FULL (QSK), Semi or Auto break-in, split, narrow filter, AGC and RF gain.

A variety of scan modes are available including Priority, Search, Busy, Timed, Memory and Programmed search. Timed scan setting does not require squelch-mute so you are able to monitor data-modes and broadcasts simultaneously with memory search scan.

For full details on this new Alinco radio, please visit the following webpage http://www.alinco.com/Products/DX-SR8/ <http://www.alinco.com/Products/DX-SR8/>

Alinco products are available from Radio HF. Please inquire about pricing and availability.

WHERE IN THE WORLD ZONE

THIS MONTH SYRIA

C.I.A. WORLD FACTBOOK SYRIA

https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.html
<https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.htm\
l>

WIKIPEDIA SYRIA

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria>

THE OFFICIAL SYRIAN BAATH PARTY WEBPAGE

http://www.baath-party.org/eng/news.asp
<http://www.baath-party.org/eng/news.asp>

SYRIAN MINISTRY OF TOURISM

http://syriatourism.org/index.php?newlang=eng
<http://syriatourism.org/index.php?newlang=eng>

The official federal site of Syria's Ministry of Tourism. This is a multi-lingual site, including English and French.

RADIO STATION WORLD SYRIA

http://radiostationworld.com/Locations/Syria/
<http://radiostationworld.com/Locations/Syria/>

This is a listing of broadcasting organizations and radio stations in Syria.

ONLINE NEWSPAPERS SYRIA

http://www.onlinenewspapers.com/syria.htm
<http://www.onlinenewspapers.com/syria.htm>

This is a listing of newspapers in Syria.

SYRIAN ARAB NEWS AGENCY

http://www.sana.sy/index_eng.html <http://www.sana.sy/index_eng.html>

The Syrian Arab News Agency (SANA) is the national official news agency in Syria. It was established in 1965. It is linked to the Ministry of Information and has its headquarters in Damascus. The Agency provides full coverage of local, Arab and international events based on balanced, objective approach. It is always matching up with the latest developments in news agencies work.

THE RADIO ZONE

RADIO BANTER

http://www.radiobanter.com/ <http://www.radiobanter.com/>

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

This site bills itself as a radio forum acting as a gateway to the finest radio related newsgroups. You'll find links to numerous groups on various aspects of radio. To be able to post messages you must complete a free on-line application.

MDS975 RADIO STATIONS & MEMORABILIA

http://www.mds975.co.uk/Content/radmem.html
<http://www.mds975.co.uk/Content/radmem.html>

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

Welcome to our radio pages - we hope that you enjoy your visit and find what you're looking for! A short history of radio; radio construction projects; photographs of transmitter masts and towers; amateur radio; crystal sets; personality features; radio station features; discussion points; technical information; transmitter sites, stations and frequencies. It's all here.

BROADCAST HISTORY

http://hallikainen.org/BroadcastHistory/
<http://hallikainen.org/BroadcastHistory/>

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

These pages are dedicated to preserving a historical record of broadcast equipment. Others are doing an excellent job in recording other aspects of the history of broadcasting. As we find them, we'll add links to them. This site consists of scanned manuals and catalogs of broadcast equipment.

NEW YORK RADIO MEMORIES

http://nyradiomemories.com/ <http://nyradiomemories.com/>

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

This site is an excellent tribute to NY Radio from the early years to the 1970s. There are lots of great photos, memorabilia, and links to many tribute web sites for individual New York area radio stations from the past.

CB RADIO MEMORIES

http://www.cbradiomemories.com/index.html
<http://www.cbradiomemories.com/index.html>

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

So many of us, in a seemingly other life, dabbled in the world of CB (citizens band) radio. This excellent site brings us all back to the CB radio craze and scene. There are all sorts of interesting photos, memories, catalogs of equipment, etc. This site should bring back a lot of memories. Be sure to check out the "Links" section.

RADIOING

http://www.radioing.com/ <http://www.radioing.com/>

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

This site covers the 3 "R's" of ham radio; radio, radios and radio-ing, and has many excellent sections dealing with numerous aspects of amateur radio.

SOCIETY OF AMATEUR RADIO ASTRONOMERS

http://www.radio-astronomy.org/ <http://www.radio-astronomy.org/>

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

The Society of Amateur Radio Astronomers (SARA) is an international society of dedicated enthusiasts who teach, learn, trade technical information, and do their own observations of the radio sky. This organization is a scientific, non-profit group founded for the sole purpose of supporting amateur radio astronomy. SARA was organized in 1981, and today has hundreds of members worldwide. The group consists of optical astronomers, ham radio operators, engineers, teachers and non-technical persons.

RADIO H.F. BOOK REVIEW ZONE

EDITOR: T. J. "Skip" Arey

ARRL's PIC Programming for Beginners

Revised 1st Edition

Edited by Mark Spencer, WA8SME

and

ARRL's PIC Programming Kit

Okay, most of you folks know I have been writing for and about the radio hobby for well over 25 years. I have seen a lot of things come and go and I have reviewed countless books, kits, software, etc.

I am going to say something that I don't say lightly. This may be the most important review I have ever written for the radio hobby! Dead serious!

I've been around the radio world since the days when we would ride our bicycles down to the drug store to test the tubes in our receivers. I've come through tubes, transistors, integrated circuits, Very Large Scale Integration. Been there, done that, wore the T-shirt!

We are moving into a world were nearly all our actual technology lives in the software we develop. The actual circuits we use are little more than control devices with a series on input and output circuits. All you need to do is perform Web search on Software Defined Radios and you will see where things are going for any radio hobbyist, not just amateur radio operators.

As hams, we are chartered to "Advance the Radio Art". Says so right on the label folks! So if we are going to live up to what is expected of us and take this hobby into the future we need to get smart about this latest movement in radio (and for that matter all other) technology.

The easiest way for any thoroughly modern ham to begin to get a handle on things is to learn about and experiment with microcontrollers. There are a number of "flavors" of microcontrollers available but currently the PIC(r) line is one of the least expensive and best supported systems going. Mark WA8SME takes the reader through a complete study of the PIC16F676 chip and all that it can do. Once the reader is comfortable with the PIC chip and its support hardware, Mark goes on to teach the reader about program architecture and software development.

A brief sidebar here. If you were one of those folks who ushered in the personal computer revolution playing around with pre-IBM PC computers, you may find working with the PIC's 8 bit architecture an enjoyable trip down memory lane. This is computing at its most basic level.

If you are a relative novice to digital computer or any other form of electronics technology, don't shy away. If you follow along with the book's step by step lessons, you will learn how really simple the underpinnings of all digital technology actually is. As my friend Jon WB2KKS always says, "How smart can computers be? They can only count up to 1!"

The book also includes a CD ROM with programming resources and even video clips to help you along they way.

Armed with the foundation provided by Mark's book, I am confident you will want to get your hands dirty. I know I was. The ARRL provides the supportive solution to help you take the knowledge in the book and put it to use. They offer the ir PIC Programming kit (FYI, it is produced by Cana Kit Corporation in British Columbia)

The kit is a "Twofer". First of all, it includes all the parts and boards, to allow you to follow along with the book's exercises and experiments. But once you've learned to program a PIC chip, you are going to want to do something with it, right? The kit also includes the parts to build a PIC controlled CW keyer as described as the book's culminating project.

I've already begun to experiment beyond the basic keyer design. I always wondered why nobody made a keyer that emulated a "Bug". Creating dot strings but allowing the sender to control the "swing" of the dash paddle. I am playing with the switching and timing to see if this can be done. I'm not there yet, but I am learning a lot along the way. And isn't that what ham radio is all about?

This publication and the kit are available from http://www.arrl.org/shop <http://www.arrl.org/shop> , from Radio HF, or your favourite radio publications dealer.

THE GENERAL ZONE

THE MONTREAL INTERNATIONAL JAZZ FESTIVAL

http://www.montrealjazzfest.com/default-en.aspx
<http://www.montrealjazzfest.com/default-en.aspx>

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

One of the greatest events of its kind in the world takes place in Montreal from June 25th to July 4th. This will be the 32nd anniversary of the event.

UNITED STATES SEARCH AND RESCUE TASK FORCE

http://ussartf.org/ <http://ussartf.org/>

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

In line with our mission statement, this site provides extensive educational information on search and rescue and disaster related topics. You'll find material on various topics such as terrorism, survival at sea, tornadoes, Lyme disease, flooding, family disaster

planning, animal tracking and more.

THE HISTORICAL MARKER DATABASE

http://www.hmdb.org/ <http://www.hmdb.org/>

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

This website is an illustrated searchable online catalog of historical information viewed through the filter of roadside and other permanent outdoor markers, monuments, and plaques. It contains photographs, inscription transcriptions, marker locations, maps, additional information and commentary, and links to more information. Anyone can add new markers to the database and update existing marker pages with new photographs, links, information and commentary.

NORTH AMERICAN FORTS

http://www.northamericanforts.com/index.html
<http://www.northamericanforts.com/index.html>

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

A Catalogue and Gazetteer of Forts and Fortresses, Frontier Posts, Camps, Stockades, Blockhouses, Garrisons, Arsenals, and Seacoast Batteries in the United States and Canada and Associated Territories

(Including Select Listings for Mexico, Cuba, and Central America)

MYSTERIES OF CANADA

http://www.mysteriesofcanada.com/index.htm
<http://www.mysteriesofcanada.com/index.htm>

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

Mysteries of Canada was begun in 1998 as a project to help Canadians to better understand the history, geography, myths and legends of their own country. The site has grown over the years into a major site attracting visitors from all across Canada and the rest of the world. The site is used by 50+ schools across the country to help teach language, writing and history. It is used internationally as a language training asset. Certain stories and images from this site have been used in newspapers, TV, history books and other media.

GHOST TOWNS

http://www.ghosttowns.com/ <http://www.ghosttowns.com/>

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

Ghosttowns.com was founded in March 1998 with the intent of making the largest and most up to date online ghost towns and old west historical reference site in the U.S. and Canada for all to see.

DOG OWNER'S GUIDE

http://www.canismajor.com/dog/topic1.html
<http://www.canismajor.com/dog/topic1.html>

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

Founded in 1990 in Cincinnati, Ohio, home-based Canis Major Publications began as publisher of Dog Owner's Guide, a newspaper for pet and show dog owners in southwestern Ohio and northern Kentucky. In our first five years, DOG won four Maxwell Awards for best canine newspaper in the US. In the mid-1990s, we started this website and quickly grew to provide more than one million visitors with information about choosing, raising, training, and caring for the family dog and dogs that compete in a variety of sports. The Dog Owner's Guide website was established in 1995 with 90 pages of material that previously appeared in the print edition.

RADIO H.F. PUBLICITY ZONE #3

What is new in books & publications from the American Radio Relay League, the Radio Society of Great Britain, and other publishers?

The Road Home

By Andrew Baze, AB8L

"This fast paced adventure will engage youth and adults in the realities of what can happen in an emergency and how Amateur Radio can be one of the many tools in the preparedness toolbox." - Debra Johnson, K1DMJ, Education Services Manager, ARRL

The story combines exciting, non-stop action with dozens of practical emergency preparedness and high-tech ham radio tips that you will find helpful in many situations, from going on an uneventful road trip or day hike, to getting lost in the woods, even to surviving a natural disaster!

BONUS! Over 50 emergency preparedness and Amateur Radio tips are included.

Softcover: 206 pages

Publisher: Andrew Baze, AB8L; First Edition (May 2011)

ISBN: 978-0-9835-0530-3

Order #0427 - $12.99 Canadian or U.S.

Computers in Amateur Radio

By Steve White, G3ZVW

Radio amateurs have always been quick to embrace changes to the hobby in order to make operating easier, computers are no exception. They have become essential tools in getting things done quicker and easier than before. Many however, are simply unaware of the potential computers offer. This book sets out to provide an insight into the wide range of Amateur Radio uses for the home computer.

Computers in Amateur Radio is a step-by-step guide for beginners who are becoming familiar with an activity. For more experienced amateurs, it contains reference information and even basic fault-finding tips. All operators who own a computer win will find something of value here.

CD-ROM included! This book is bundled with a CD-ROM, which is packed with over 500MB of software. Includes programs for logging, contests, mapping, Morse Code training, RTTY, SSTV, and more!

Softcover: 208 pages

Publisher: Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB). First Edition (2011)

ISBN: 9781 9050 8668 9

Order #0139 - $24.95 Canadian or U.S.

RSGB IOTA Directory (2011 Edition)

Edited by Roger Balister, G3KMA and Steve Telenius-Lowe, 9M6DXX

Celebrating more than 45 Years of the IOTA (Islands on the Air)

The IOTA Directory is your essential guide to participating in the Islands on the Air (IOTA) award program. It contains everything needed to enjoy collecting or operating from islands for this popular worldwide program. Fully updated, it provides the complete, official listing of IOTA islands available, with the many recent changes. It includes details of the award rules, the IOTA contest, the IOTA honor roll, and fascinating reports of IOTA operations. A must-have for every island chaser!

Softcover: 128 pages

Publisher: Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB). 2011 Edition (2011)

ISBN: 9781 9050 8669 6

Order #0032 - $19.95 Canadian or U.S.

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http://www.radiohf.ca/publications.htm
<http://www.radiohf.ca/publications.htm> for a complete catalog of all books, publications and CD-Roms available from the ARRL, RSGB and other popular publishers and authors.

THE FUN & SERVICES ZONE

INTERNET ACCURACY PROJECT

http://www.accuracyproject.org/index.html
<http://www.accuracyproject.org/index.html>

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

Internet Accuracy Project works to improve the accuracy of the reference sources we all rely on. In addition to offering error corrections and clarifications, our organization is also dedicated to the presentation of thoroughly-vetted educational materials and classic literary works, entirely free of charge, and free of all commercial advertising and irritating pop-up ads.

FACTACULAR

http://www.factacular.com/ <http://www.factacular.com/>

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

Factacular.com is a free, ad-supported website providing quizzes, free learning tools and a huge 'factopedia' of information and trivia.

Factacular.com was created by Count Factacular - aka Tom.

STRANGE COSMOS

http://www.strangecosmos.com/ <http://www.strangecosmos.com/>

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

StrangeCosmos.com was created to become your personal portal into the Strange and Weird world that we live in. Your own exclusive opening that will provide you access to the truly different and curious Places, Happenings and Events that make up our everyday world.

Here, you will find an amazing assortment of People, Animals, Vehicles, Political Parodies, Military, FunKidz, Business, Dangerous Events and Situations, along with some of the most amazing Creations, Images and Pictures ever found in one location on the Internet. With over 50,000 Images and 40,000 Jokes and articles - this is your one stop destination for almost anything that you can imagine.

THE 2011 HAMFEST/FLEAMARKET ZONE

Each month we list upcoming events, including hamfests, predominantly in Canada. NOTE: All times quoted are local. (Compiled by Vernon Ikeda VE2QQ, Pierrefonds, Quebec and Radio Amateurs of Canada)

Saturday, June 11, 2011 - London Vintage Radio Club Flea Market

London Vintage Radio Club

Location: 394 Edinburgh Rd. North, Guelph, Ontario

Time: 7AM for public and vendors alike.

Cost: $10.00 for vendors, no charge to public

Talk-in frequency: n/a

E-mail: larry.asp@... <mailto:larry.asp@...>

Webpage: http://lvrc.homestead.com/fleamarket.html
<http://lvrc.homestead.com/fleamarket.html>

Saturday, July 9, 2011 - ONTARIO HAMFEST

Burlington Amateur Radio Club

Milton Agricultural Fairgrounds, Milton, Ontario

General $ 6.00 per person

Inside Vendors $ 6.00 per person plus $14.00 per table

Tailgating Vendors $ 6.00 per person plus $ 6.00 per single-width vehicle space - Pre-registration not required

Indoor Vendors 7 am to 8:30 am

Tailgating Vendors 8 am to 8:30 am

General Admission 9:00 am

Contact: Mike Hepburn for registration ve3hbn@...
<mailto:ve3hbn@...>

Email contact: ve3czi@arrl.net

Webpage: http://www.barc.ca/Ontario%20Hamfest.htm
<http://www.barc.ca/Ontario%20Hamfest.htm>

RADIO H.F. PUBLICITY ZONE #4

RADIO HF GIFT CERTIFICATES

Gift certificates are a great idea if you're not sure what that special person is looking for. Radio HF is offering gift certificates available in any denomination. Please contact Radio HF for details.

RADIO H.F. NATURE BOOKS DIVISION

The Radio H.F. Nature Division offers hundreds of specialty books in the fields of birding, animals, plants, etc. A complete listing of the titles is available on the new Radio H.F. web page at http://www.radiohf.ca <http://www.radiohf.ca/> . Simply click on the Canada goose!

THE RESOURCES ZONE

The following is a listing of clubs, groups, radio broadcasts and other resources that may be of interest to you.

THE CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL DX CLUB (CIDX)

CIDX is Canada's national radio monitoring club, serving radio hobbyists since 1962. Our monthly electronic newsletter, MESSENGER, covers all aspects of the radio monitoring hobby as well as amateur radio coverage.

SPECIAL OFFER: To all Radio HF Internet Newsletter subscribers, a FREE sample of our monthly CIDX electronic newsletter, MESSENGER, (in .PDF format) is available to you for the asking. Just send along an e-mail to cidxclub@... <mailto:cidxclub@yahoo.com> , with a valid return e-mail address and you'll receive your copy. Our June 2011 edition is now available. Membership, at the low cost of $10 per year, is open to radio hobbyists worldwide.

Please visit the CIDX web page at http://www.cidx.ca
<http://www.cidx.ca/>

PRIME TIME SHORTWAVE

Prime Time Shortwave is a listing of English shortwave broadcast that are updated frequently by webmasters Daniel Sampson and by database administrator Ernest Riley. The schedules are constantly updated from various print and internet sources as well as from monitoring by the webmaster and other shortwave listeners and DXers. The shortwave schedules are available by time, country and frequency format. Also, they are available in ASCII, Dbase and Excel. You will also find links to some of the best radio related websites and to the international broadcasters and time conversion charts (some provided by Craig Braun). Please visit the Prime Time Shortwave webpage at

http://www.primetimeshortwave.com/ <http://www.primetimeshortwave.com/>

THE INTERNATIONAL RADIO REPORT

The International Radio Report, celebrating its 23rd year on CKUT-FM, 90.3 FM in Montreal this month, is available via the Internet live streaming, and on the airwaves of CKUT, Sunday mornings at 10:30 AM Eastern (1430 UTC). The show's co-hosts, Janice Laws and Sheldon Harvey, present a weekly half-hour of news, information and developments in radio broadcasting.

Visit the CKUT web page for full CKUT programming details.

http://www.ckut.ca <http://www.ckut.ca/>

The International Radio Report is also rebroadcast on shortwave each week on Area 51 on WBCQ-The Planet, Sundays at 10:30 PM Eastern (0230 Monday UTC) on 5110 kHz. You may also listen to archived editions of the programme through the CKUT web site. Send your comments or questions to the International Radio Report, by e-mail, to radioreport@... <mailto:radioreport@...>

RADIO CANADA INTERNATIONAL

RCI's schedules for the A-11 broadcast season (27 March 2011 to 30 October 2011) have been posted on the "Schedules and Frequencies" page of the RCI website at the following address:

http://www.rcinet.ca/english/schedule/
<http://www.rcinet.ca/english/schedule/>

You will find not only our shortwave broadcast schedules, but also the schedules for 24-hour per day satellite channels on the HotBird satellite (Europe/North Africa/Middle East). Stay in touch with Canada via Radio Canada International.

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